

Graduate Commencement Exercises



American Heritage School Friday, May 22, 2015



"Wherefore, ye must press forward with a steadfastness in Christ, having a perfect brightness of hope, and a love of God and of all men. Wherefore, if ye shall press forward, feasting upon the word of Christ, and endure to the end, behold, thus saith the Father: Ye shall have eternal life." (2 Nephi 31:20)

"The house of the righteous shall stand" (Proverbs 12:7)



Welcome Grant Beckwith

Principal

Presentation of Colors BYU Air Force ROTC

Pledge of Allegiance Robert James Bigelow

National Anthem Choir, Orchestra, and Audience

Invocation Eliza Rose "Rosie" Monson

"Press Forward Saints" American Heritage Choir
Arranged by Rob Swenson Directed by Rob Swenson

Chairman of the Board Remarks Bob Sorensen

School History Michael Karr & Cheryl Karr Multimedia Presentation Seen-by-Scene Communications

Introduction of Student Speakers Dan Burton

Chairman of the Board Elect

Student Body President Address Samantha Louise Burton

Student Body President

Co-Valedictorian Address Hyeweon Kang

Co-Valedictorian Address Emma Jane Brady

Salutatorian Address Ellie Sangmin Woo

Student Body Vice President

Video Presentation of Graduates

Commencement Speaker Introduction Grant Beckwith Principal

Commencement Address President Matthew Holland Utah Valley University President

David Hancock

Presentation of Diplomas Grant Beckwith, Principal
Blaine Hunsaker, Assistant Principal, K-12
Elizabeth Jacob, Assistant Principal, 7-12

"Children of Liberty/ American Heritage Choir and Orchestra
This is our Heritage Medley" Directed by Rob Swenson

Arranged by Greg Hansen
Arrangement Concept by
Mariane Sorensen

Benediction Sarah Grace Sorensen



MATTHEW S. HOLLAND

Matthew S. Holland is the President of Utah Valley University, where he has been serving since June of 2009. Before assuming his current position, President Holland was an associate professor of political science at Brigham Young University, where he taught courses in political philosophy and American political thought. His scholarly research on how ideals of Christian charity influenced the development of American political life garnered national attention. Previously while studying at Brigham Young University, he was awarded the Raoul Wallenberg Scholarship in 1991 for a year of graduate study at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He served as chief of staff for the top executive of the international consulting firm Monitor Group and, later, as special assistant to then-Governor Michael O. Leavitt before going on to earn his master's degree and Ph.D. in political science at Duke University. He won Princeton University's James Madison Fellowship in 2005 and in 2007, his book, Bonds of Affection: Civic Charity and the Making of America, was published by Georgetown University



Press. Currently, he serves on numerous community boards, including the editorial advisory board of the Deseret News and the boards of the Utah Valley and Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife, Paige, have four children, Jacob, Mitzi, Grace and Dan.